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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Timmermans et al.

Serial No.: 10/700,380

Filed: November 3, 2003

For: METHOD FOR QUANTIFYING A
RATIO BETWEEN AT LEAST TWO
NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES

Confirmation No.: 9902

Examiner: C. Babic

Group Art Unit: 1637

Attorney Docket No.: 2183-5581.1US

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

Responsive to the Communication mailed January 24, 2006, applicants elect Group I (having claims 1 through 34) without traverse.

The application should now be in condition for examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Allen C. Turner', with a stylized, cursive script.

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